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except me, and when the day is over then, when I get to my desk, when I get to my door there's going to be a big old sign saying, smile, you were on candid camera; we were in on the joke, but you weren't; so don't be mad, we were just having a little, good, clean, Christian fun. But in case that's not what it was, after we get our backs up and decide we're going to find a way to get some money to do what everybody agrees needs to be done, then those who, like in the story of "The Little Red Hen", could not do anything to plant the wheat, cultivate the wheat, harvest the wheat, grind the wheat into flour, mix up the dough, bake the bread, they couldn't do that, but they could eat the bread, now all of a sudden everybody is saying, well, why don't we then just put some money from the General Fund into these two projects. That's not what they said in the beginning. They didn't feel like that ought to be done. But now that seems reasonable. Do you see what it takes to get this Legislature to the point where we'll start thinking about doing what we ought to do in the way we ought to do it? You be nice, and these people will walk on you. You cooperate, like I did, and they stick you in the back. And, if I was nice like the rest of you-all, I'd just go somewhere and lick my wounds and say, well, that's tough, I wish they hadn't done that to me. Uh-uh. Old man Kennedy, not John, not Robert, not Teddy, nor any of that other host of children he had, old man Kennedy said, don't get mad, get even. And Americans love that, they love it. They always love things until it comes to roost on their doorstep. Well, this is the day for the philosophy of old man Kennedy, don't get mad, get even. I cannot even get even. The most I can get is a little time. But I'm going to get what I can. And I'm going to see if, after we get through all the contentiousness, all of the acrimony, we finally come around to a position where reasonable people could have started,...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...but this Legislature doesn't start out from a position of reasonableness. This Legislature starts out with people staking out turf, usually the Appropriations Committee, we call the shots here, we own this Legislature. And until you stand up to them, you don't get anything, not even breathing space. And maybe we won't get anything. But I'm going to get my time out of it.